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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Case No. 05-042)

ln re Application of:)
Karl, Johann et al.) Examiner: C. Foster
Serial No.: 09/720,006) Art Unit: 1641
Filing Date: 12/19/2000) Conf. No.: 5872
For: Improvement of Binding Assays by Multiepitope Analysis and by Combining Antigen and Antibody Determination)))

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF MAY 30, 2006

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 30, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application identified above in view of the following amendments and remarks. A Petition for Extension of Time (three months) and requisite is attached.

The Amendments to the Claims section are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on p. 2 of this paper.

The Remarks section begins on p. 5 of this paper.